# American Perennial Gardens P. O. Box 37 Garden City, Michigan Return Postage Guaranteed

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## SEEDS OF NATIVE PLANTS

# Crop of 1956

- 25¢ per packet, except as noted. Prices on larger quantities quoted on request. All are postpaid. Residents of Michigan add 3 sales tax. ACTAEA ALBA WHITE BANEBERRY. Glossywhite berries.
- ACTAEA SPICATA ARGUTA. Leaves deeply cut. Fruit either red or white.
- ACTINOMERIS ALTERNIFOLIA WINGSTEM. 1 2 in. yellow flowers. Autumn.
- AGASTACHE FOENICULUM GIANT HYSSOP. Anise scented plant. Blue.
- ALETRIS FARINOSA COLIC-ROOT. White. Moist location.
- ALLIUM CERNUUM NODDING ONION. Lilac. July.

  1 ft.
- ALLIUM RECURVATUM PAGOSA ONION. Pink. July. 20 in.
- AMSONIA TABERNAEMONTA BLUE STAR OF TEXAS. Soft blue.
- ANDROSTEPHIUM COERULEUM BABIES BREATH.

  1 in. blue flowers. Spring.
- AQUILEGIA CANADENSIS AMERICAN COLUMBINE. Red and yellow.
- AQUILEGIA FORMOSA SITKA COLUMBINE Brick red and yellow.
- AQUILEGIA SKINNERI MEXICAN COLUMBINE. Greenish orange, red spurs.
- ARGEMONE INTERMEDIA PRICKLEY POPPY. 4 in. white blooms. All summer.
- ARISAEMA TRIPHYLLUM JACK IN-THE-PULPIT.

  Moist shade.
- ARNICA CORDIFOLIA. A 2 FT. GOLDEN DAISY.
  Alpine.
- ASARUM CANADENSE WILD GINGER. Shady. ground cover.
- ASCLEPIAS TUBEROSA BUTTERFLY WEED.
  Orange. Summer
- BAPTISIA AUSTRALIS BLUE INDIGO. Terminal racemes of blue flowers. June. 6 ft.

- BAPTISIA TINCTORIA YELLOW INDIGO. Bright yellow. 2 4 ft.
- CALLIRHOE INVOLUCRATA WINE POPPY. Rosepurple, spring until frost. Beautiful trailer.
- CAMASSIA QUAMASH BLUE CAMAS. Blue flowers on 2 ft. stalk.
- CAMPANULA ROTUNDIFOLIA BLUE BELLS OF SCOTLAND. Pale blue.
- CASSIA MARILANDICA WILD SENNA. Bright yellow. July-August.
- CASSIA NICTITANS WILD SENSITIVE PLANT. 18 in. annual.
- CEANOTHUS AMERICANUS NEW JERSEY TEA. 3 ft. shrub. White.
- CHRYSOPSIS VILLOSA GOLDEN ASTER. Dry sandy location 12 in.
- CIMICIFUGA RACEMOSA COHOSH BUGBANE.White. Summer. Moist shade.
- CLINTONIA BOREALIS BLUEBEAD. Yellow. Shining blue fruit.
- CORNUS CANADENSIS BUNCHBERRY. Choice groundcover. D. B.
- CORNUS NUTTALLII WESTERN DOGWOOD. An 80 ft. beauty.
- CORYDALIS AUREA GOLDEN YELLOW. 6 in. annual.
- CORYDALIS SEMPERVIRENS PINK CORYDALIS. Very showy. Bien.
- DICENTRA CHRYSANTHA GOLDEN EARDROPS.
  Blue green foliage. Golden flowers.
- DICENTRA FORMOSA BLEEDINGHEART. Rose colored flowers. April-September.
- DISPORUM SMITHII FAIRY-BELLS. White. Orange berries.
- ECHINACEA PURPUREA PURPLE CONEFLOWER Rich soil.
- ERYNIGIUM LEAVENWORTHII ERYNGO. Purpleviolet flowerheads and bracts Most unusual. 3 ft.
- ERYSIUMUM ASPERUM WALLFLOWER. Bien.or per. Yellow-orange flowers.
- ERYTHRONIUM MESACHOREUM. Lavender flowers. Green leaves.
- ERYTHRONIUM OREGONUM. Cream colored. Mottled leaves.
- EUONYMUS AMERICANUS STRAWBERRY-BUSH.
  Attractive 8 ft. shrub.

- EUONYMUS OBOVATUS. A good understory shrub for moist spot. 1 ft.
- EUPATORIUM PURPUREM JOE-PYE WEED. Dull pink. 4 8 ft.
- FRANKLINIA ALATAMAHA Our rarest tree. 3 in. white flowers in September-October. Scarlet leaves in fall. 20 ft. 8 seeds .25 20 seeds .50
- FRITILLARIA LANCOLATA MISSION BELLS. Mahogany brown, mottled greenish yellow. 1 3 ft.
- GAULTHERIA SHALLON SALAL. Evergreen shrub. Blue-black fruit. Tender in north.
- GAILLARDIA ARISTATA BLANKET FLOWER. All summer.
- GENTIANA ANDREWSII CLOSED GENTIAL. Blue flowers in September October.
- GENTIANA CRINATA FRINGED GENTIAL Definitely one of our finest flowers. Blue. Bien. .50
- GYMNOCLADUS DIOICA KENTUCKY COFFEE TREE. 100 ft. ornamental. 12 seeds....25 25 seeds .50
- HELENIUM AUTUMNAL SNEESEWEED. 1 1/2 2 in. yellow flowers in fall.
- HEUCHERA AMERICANA ALUM ROOT. Semievergreen mottled leaves.
- HEUCHERA GLABRA Airy white blooms on 2ft. panicles.
- HIBISCUS MOSCHEUTOS ROSEMALLOW. Large light rose. 3 8 ft.
- with waxy white flowers, crimson center. . .35
  HOUSTONIA COERULEA BLUET. Blue with yellow
- eye. 4 5 in.

  IRIS TENAX Shades of blue, orchid-lavender to
- purple, nicely veined. 6 12 in. Very desirable.
  IRIS VERSICOLOR BLUE FLAG. Moist or garden conditions.
- LIATRIS GRAMINIFOLIA GRASS LEAVED GAY-FEATHER. Purple 1 1/2 - 3 ft.
- LIATRIS LIGULISTYLIS Smoky purple spikes in July. 1 1 1/2 ft.
- LIATRIS PYCNOSTACHYA PRAIRIE GAYFEATHER.

  Purple. Late summer. 5 ft.
- LIATRIS SCARIOSA BUTTON GAYFEATHER. Rose Purple. August. 3 - 5 ft.

LIATRIS SPICATA - SPIKE GAYFEATHER. Rose purple. July-September. 5 - 6 ft.

### All Liatris Unrubbed

- LILIUM CANADENSIS MEADOW LILY. Reddish yellow. Early summer.
- LINUM LEWISII PRAIRIE FLAX. Sky-blue. June-July. 2 ft.
- LOBELIA CARDINALIS CARDINAL FLOWER. Bright red. July - October. 3 - 5 ft.
- MITELLA CAULESCENS. Choice ground cover in moist shade.
- OENTHERA MISSOURENSIS MISSOURI PRIMROSE. 4 in. yellow flowers. June-August.
- OPUNTIA HUMIFUSA PRICKLEY PEAR. Spiny. thickened leaves. Yellow flowers in July.
- PAEONIA BROWNII Brownish red flowers in spring.

  1 ft.
- PARNASSIA GLAUCA GRASS-OF-PARNASSUS.
  White flowers in fall. 2 ft.
- PASSIFLORA INCARNATA PASSION FLOWER. 20 - 30 ft. vine, not hardy in north. Mulch root for winter.
- PENSTEMON COBAEA Reddish purple to white.

  May June. Showy. 2 ft.
- PENSTEMON GRANDIFLORUS. 2 in. long flowers. White to blue lavender.
- PENSTEMON OVATUS. Pink hinting, pale lavender. 3 4 ft.
- PODOPHYLLUM PELTATUM MAYAPPLE. Fragrant white flower. Yellow edible fruit.
- POLYGONATUM COMMUTATUM LARGE SOLO MON SEAL. 3 5 ft.
- RIBIES SANGUINEUM. Red flowering, black fruited shrub. 10 ft.
- ROMNEYA COULTERI MATILIJA POPPY. Large white poppy-like flowers on 5 ft. bushes. Protect in north.
- RUDBECKIA HIRTA BLACK-EYED SUSAN. Yellow, brown-centered flowers in Summer 1 2 ft.
- RUDBECKIA LACINIATA TALL CONEFLOWER.
  2 1/2 4 in. yellow flower with central cone-like disk. 2 7 ft.
- SANGUINARIA CANADENSIS BLOODROOT. Pure white flowers. April May. 6 12 in.

SEDUM OREGANOM. Tellow Howers on creek stems.
3 - 6 in
SEDUM SPATHULIFOLIUM. Good foliage. Flowers
golden yellow. Good
SILPHIUM PERFOLIATUM - CUP PLANT. Yellow.
6 ft. July - September
SPIRAEA TOMENTOSA - HARDHACK. Pink. July -
September. 4 ft. shrub.
STOKESIA LAEVIS - STOKES ASTER. 3 - 4 in.

- blue or white flowers. July August 1 2 ft.
  STOKESIA LAEVIS ALBA Seed from white form.
- STREPTOPUS AMPLEXIFOLIUS TWISTED STALK.
  Attractive Red Fruit.
- SYNTHYRIS ROTUNDIFOLIA. SPRING QUEEN. 3 4 in. spikes hung with blue lilies of the valley.
- THALICTRUM POLYGANUM TALL MEADOWRUE. Fine foliage.  $4-8\ \text{ft}.$
- THERMOPSIS CAROLINIANA AARONSROD. Yellow flowers in terminal racemes. May June. 3 5 ft.
- TOLMIEA MENZIESII YOUTH-ON-AGE. A good house plant or choice ground cover in shade. .35
- TRILLIUM OVATUM The Pacific Coast representative of Trillium grandiflorum.
- VANCOUVERIA HEXANDRA. Ground cover in shade.

  VERBENA BIPENNATIFIDA. Lilac. Spring until
  fall. 1st year from seed.
- VERBENA CANADENSIS. Pink. Spring until fall. 1st year from seed.
- VERONIA NOVEBORACENSIS IRONWEED. Purple.

  July September 3 6 ft.
- VIBURNUM AMERICANUM HIGH-BUSH CRAN-BERRY. Attractive in flower, fruit, and foliage. Shrub. 6 - 12 ft.
- VIOLA LANCEOLATA LANCE-LEAVED VIOLET.
- VIOLA PALMATA PALMATE VIOLET. Large violet purple.
- VIOLA PRICEANA CONFEDERATE VIOLET. Blue and grey.
- VIOLA RAFINESQUE FIELD PANSY. Naturalized. Layender tinted.
- YUCCA FILAMENTOSA COMMON YUCCA. Evergreen. White 3 6 ft.

### SEEDS OF CULTIVATED PLANTS

- ANARRHINIUM CRASSIFOLIUM. Myriads of tiny pale blue flowers on three foot stems.
- AQUILEGIA FLABELLATA. Dwarf white, blue green foliage.
- AQUILEGIA VULGARIS ERECTA EDELWEISS Dwarf, compact snow white.
- BELAMCANDA CHINENSIS. Orange, spotted red. BUPHTHALMUM SALICIFOLIUM OX-EYE. 2 in. yellow flowers, solitary and terminal. 2 ft.
- CENTAUREA MACROCEPHALA. Showy golden yellow.

  July August.
- CHRYSANTHEMUM MAXIUMUM. MAY QUEEN. A fine early large daisy.
- CLEMATIS MANDSCHURICA. Fragrant white flowers in July. 3 ft.
- DIANTHUS ARENARIUS. Fringed, fragrant white flowers. 6 in.
- DIANTHUS DELTOIDES. Mat forming. Red with crimson eye.
- DIANTHUS GELIDUS. Dwarf, fringed, fragrant. Pink.
- DIANTHUS MYRTINERVIS, Pink flowers on thyme like mat.
- DRABA CARINTHIACA. Caespitose. 6 in. rosettes. White.
- EUPHORBIA MYRSINITES. Fleshy blue green leaves, trailing.
- MONARDA DIDYMA Croftway Pink. Rose Pink..35 PLATYCODON - Double Blue. 1 1/2 - 2 ft. . . .35
- PLATYCODON Double White. 1 1/2 2 ft. . .35
- PLATYCODON Double White, Betty Lou. A choice

- summer. 2 ft. SALVIA JURISICII. Ferny foliaged dwarf, lavender
- blue.
- SEDUM SPECTABILE, BRILLIANT. Grey green clumpy plant
- TUNICA SAXIFRAGA ALBA. Cut foliage studded with white flowers. All summer

TUNICA SAXIFRAGA. Rose. As above, except for color.

We wish to contact persons who collect, or could collect seed of native wild flowers or other rare flowers. Seed should be properly ripened and true to name

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To the former customers of Mr. David E. Burns, this is to announce our purchase of his seed business. We hope we may have the privilege of serving you.

# PLANTING DIRECTIONS

Plant small quantities and fine seeds in flats or We sterilize good rich soil and mix with tin cans. equal volume of vermiculite (for good drainage; also, ability of vermiculite to hold water), filling container to about 1 inch of the top. Balance of container is filled with finely milled, moistened sphagnum moss. For containers we prefer five quart cans obtained at gas stations, cut down to Holes are punches in bottom for drainfive inches. Cover larger seeds with moss, but merely sprinkle fine seeds over the moss. complete For instructions see Leaflet No. 243, U.S.D.A. (obtained from Supt. of Documents, Washington, D.C. 5¢)

After planting, containers are set in frame outside for the benefit of the freezing and thawing so necessary to germination of many species. Should some fail to germinate the first season, hold over until the following spring.